

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 1-20 (Cancelled)

21. (Previously presented) A feedback mechanism for an acoustic wave switch having a touch sensitive surface comprising:

a deformable dome overlying the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch, the dome in an unactuated position being spaced from the touch sensitive surface of the switch; and

an acoustic wave absorbing material disposed between the deformable dome and the touch sensitive surface such that in response to a force acting on the dome, the dome deforms and contacts the absorbing material and the absorbing material contacts the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch with sufficient pressure to actuate the acoustic wave switch.

22. (Previously presented) A feedback mechanism for an acoustic wave switch as recited in claim 21 wherein the acoustic wave absorbing material is mounted on a surface of the dome.

23. (Previously presented) A feedback mechanism for an acoustic wave switch as recited in claim 21 wherein the acoustic wave absorbing material overlies the touch surface of the switch and is spaced from a surface of the dome in the unactuated position of the dome.

24. (Previously presented) A feedback mechanism for an acoustic wave switch having a touch sensitive surface comprising:

an actuator overlying the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch and an acoustic wave absorbing material mounted on the actuator, the acoustic wave absorbing material being spaced from the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch when the

actuator is in an unactuated position and the acoustic wave absorbing material contacting the touch sensitive surface of the switch actuating the acoustic wave switch in response to a force acting on the actuator to move the acoustic wave absorbing material into actuating contact with the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch.

25. (Previously presented) A feedback mechanism for an acoustic wave switch as recited in claim 24 wherein the actuator is a deformable dome.

26. (Previously presented) A feedback mechanism for an acoustic wave switch as recited in claim 25 wherein the deformable dome is a truncated dome.

27. (Canceled)

28. (Previously presented) A feedback mechanism for an acoustic wave switch as recited in claim 24 wherein the actuator includes a plunger extending through an aperture in a metal plate spaced from the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch, the absorber being mounted on a bottom surface of the plunger and further including at least one magnet mounted on the plunger between the absorber and the metal plate to hold the actuator in the unactuated position.

29. (Previously presented) A feedback mechanism for an acoustic wave switch having a touch sensitive surface comprising:

an actuator overlying the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch and an acoustic wave absorbing material mounted on the actuator, the acoustic wave absorbing material being spaced from the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch when the actuator is in an unactuated position and the acoustic wave absorbing material contacting the touch sensitive surface of the switch actuating the acoustic wave switch in response to a force acting on the actuator to move the acoustic wave absorbing material into actuating contact with the touch sensitive surface of the acoustic wave switch, wherein the actuator

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includes a rocker having a pivot with a magnet mounted on the rocker on a first side of the pivot to hold the actuator in an unactuated position and the magnet returns the actuator to the unactuated position when the force is removed.